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EXAMINING GROUP 2826**

PATENT
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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: KAWANISHI, et al. Conf.: 8167
Appl. No.: 09/667,775 Group: 2826
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE, OPTICAL
TRANSMISSION DEVICE, OPTICAL
TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, ELECTRONIC
DEVICE, CONTROL DEVICE, CONNECTOR,
COMMUNICATION DEVICE, AND OPTICAL
TRANSMISSION METHOD AND DATA
TRANSMISSION AND RECEPTION METHOD

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 17, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 have been elected for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1, 4, 5, and 6 are independent.